

#### A warm Hello to all Parish residents

This Rixton-with-Glazebrook Parish newsletter is produced by the Community Plan Group to help update residents on news, events and who to contact for community group activities, local facilities and council services.

It's great to see the level of community activity that is once again taking place in the Parish, especially at the refurbished Community Hall. Since the last edition in June, Friends groups in the community have hosted several successful fun events including Afternoon Teas, Parish Carnival, Jubilee celebrations, Discos and a Barn Dance. These type of events take a lot of organising, so thank you to all involved.

Without doubt the level of volunteering engagement is what makes our Parish so vibrant, provides activities for all, and gives people a strong sense of community. If you are at that phase in your life when you are considering doing a few hours of volunteering then look no further to offer your help. Whatever your age there are opportunities for you to get involved, whether for the Village Shop, Community Hall, Friends of the Cemetery, Community Plan Group, the recently formed Friends of Glazebrook Station, Parish Carnival, or Scouts. In fact the Scouts are currently in need of leaders for the Beavers section so they can offer activities for 6-8yr olds - see Scouts article for who to contact. If any of these capture your interest then please get in touch with the groups direct (see centre page and Contacts page).

One activity that is ceasing after over 100 years is the annual performance by Glazebrook Choral Society of 'Handel's Messiah' at Glazebrook Methodist Church. As a final farewell, a special commemorative service and performance is taking place on Sunday 11th December 6-7.30pm - all are welcome to attend.

Our thanks to the Parish Council and Hamilton Davies Trust (HDT) for the financial support they've given in support of the Parish community groups and churches this year and also to both for the funding and printing of this booklet. Our thanks also to HDT for allowing staff time to support several groups with admin and publicity.

The Community Plan Group and Parish Council wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful and Happy New Year!



Mandy Eccles (on behalf of the Community Plan Group)

Community Website: rixtonwithglazebrook.net

**Community Plan Group Facebook page:** 

https://www.facebook.com/RixtonwithGlazebrookParishPlan/

Community Plan Group Secretary: jill.eaves@hotmail.co.uk
Community Plan Group Chair: Andy Eaves 07368 970112

## **Community Village Shop**



See back page for opening hours/home delivery service

#### Your local shop offers something for everyone!

The Village Shop refit in June has resulted in an even wider range of fresh foods being offered, as well as the large range of and essential provisions. Orders from Howarth's butchers, Flixton can be placed at the shop, or via their website - add a note to state 'delivery to Hollins Green' and your goods will be delivered to the shop for collection. The shop also sells stamps, National Lottery tickets, offers a cash back service, and is an Evri (Hermes) drop off/collection point.



Bespoke Christmas hampers are available to order, made up from goods of your choosing from the shop - deadline is Wednesday 21st December to get your order in for collection midday 23rd. What a lovely festive gift for both family and friends.

If not already a customer, then pop down to your local shop to see what's on offer, you'll be guaranteed a friendly welcome!

For fresh flowers and a warming cuppa visit **The Greenery**, opposite Glazebrook Village Green. Serving food, the café is open: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm and Sat & Sun 9am-4pm. Pop in or call **0161 775 7095** 





Village Green Barbers has now relocated to St. Helen's Church House, Hollins Green.

Opening times are: Mon, Tues & Fri 9am-5.30pm, Thurs 9am-7pm and Sat 8.30am-12noon.

Pop in or call Jayne on **07967 232830.** 

## **Carol Singing**

Christmas Eve
Join residents and friends
for a jolly sing song
6.30-7pm around
the Christmas tree,
St. Helen's Church.

## **Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Hall**



Big car park - kitchen - bar - prefect venue for Birthdays : weddings : christenings : funerals Contact - bookings@rixtoncommhall.co.uk

The Hall Committee held a couple of fun fundraising events in the Autumn including a Barn Dance and an 80s night. It's great to see the Hall's well sprung wooden floor being used for dancing on once again! A New Year's Eve Party has been organised to welcome in 2023, with live music, dancing and celebration - see poster centre page.

To take a look for yourself why not pop down to the popular Community Coffee Morning held every Monday morning 10.30am - 12.30pm.





The Hall committee has recently installed a new projector and large screen to put on film nights, and for use by those booking the Hall. These have been funded by the Parish Council, monies from the raffle of a small owl carving, and kind donations from the sales of horse shoe plant holders made by local residents. The Hall funded

an arial, DVD player, free view box and installation.

What a fantastic asset for users of the hall and for the community!

Voluntary input by Hall committee members and volunteers, along with the admin support provided by the Hamilton Davies Trust team has been invaluable in helping with the running of the Hall and its activities. More support is always welcome. If you can give a little time to help then please contact Chair Andy Eaves on **07368 970112**.

## 'What's On' at the Community Hall

Regular Bookings	Activity	Duration	Contact
Monday	Community Coffee (incl. free chair yoga 12.00-12.30) and free health checks	10:30 - 12:30	Andy Eaves 07368 970112
	Bowling Indoor	13:30 - 16:30	Neil Trownson 01925 266538
	Yoga	19:00 - 20:00	Denise Fraser 07952 680598
Tuesday	Chair Yoga	10:00 -10:45	Denise Fraser 07952 680598
	Pilates	17:30 - 18:30	Gina Cottam 07889 966339
	Wellbeing for Women (meditation, yoga flow and mindfulness)	18:45 - 20:00	Nicola Edwards 07562 084185
Wednesday	Yoga	09:15 - 10:15	Julie Nickisson 07736 165737
	Bowling	19:00 - 22:00	Neil Trownson 01925 266538
Thursday	Fitness Class for over 50's	10.00 - 11.00	Susan Chin 07702 810248
	Art Class	13:30 - 15:30	Rachelle Cleary 07724 052628
	Yoga	19:00 - 20:00	Denise Fraser 07952 680598
Friday	Pilates/Stretch and Release	09:15 - 10:15	Julie Nickisson 07736 165737

## Want to hire the Hall for a one-off function or community activity?

Please email **bookings@rixtoncommhall.co.uk** or contact Hall Co-ordinator Chris Palmer on **07709 840200**.

## **Community Plan Group**

Community Plan volunteers continue to meet 3 or 4 times a year to plan Action Days to help improve the 'Look and Feel' of the Parish and activities to bring together the community. Over the past 6months our action days have included ...



In June a litter pick was held with 13 volunteers kindly collecting 14 bags of litter and other items from the lanes and green spaces, making our Parish look much tidier. Thank You to them and all those 'Litter Legends' who pick litter on an individual basis. Without their

regular input the area would look much less loved! The next Group litter pick will be in February 10am-12noon, meeting at the Black Swan. Look out for posters around the Parish.

For the Platinum Jubilee event in June the Group, along with Community Hall volunteers and funding from the Parish Council, put on a fun packed 3 day weekend of music, games and laughter...what a memorable time!





In August the Community Owl Sculpture, funded by money raised by the community, was installed in front of the Community Hall. It certainly looks grand and is a fitting tribute to all who contributed to, managed and supported the Hall since it was built 50 years ago. The baby owl symbolises the young in the community who will be the Hall's future guardians.

In October volunteers planted 1,000 English Bluebells in Glamis Wood on Manchester Road. Bulbs have been funded by the Parish Council for 3 years now, and with over 3,000 bulbs planted to date we can expect a beautiful colourful display in May.

The Group will be supporting the Irlam & Cadishead Foodbank once again by organising a Drop & Go collection in December - see the poster on centre pages for how you can contribute.

## **Community Plan Group recreation and leisure activities**

A 3 mile guided walk is taking place on Monday 2nd January 2023 starting at the Community Hall - see centre pages for details. **'Footpaths around Rixton'** guided walks, written and sketched by local residents and printed by the Hamilton Davies Trust, are freely available to pick up from all Parish facilities and to download from the community website **rixtonwithglazebrook.net** 



Rixton Runners continues to grow and welcome new runners for their Saturday morning social 5K. The group is very informal, friendly and supportive and welcomes runners of all abilities as long as you can run/jog 5K.

For more information please contact Andy Eaves on **07368 970112** or Jill Eaves on **07979 994681** or join Rixton Runners Facebook group: https://www.Facebook.com/groups/rixtonrunners

**Community Plan Group Meetings** usually last no more than 1.5hrs and are held at Rixton Methodist Church. All meetings are open to the public. The next meeting is on Monday 16th January starting 8pm.

Please come along, we would love to see more residents involved and you'll be guaranteed a warm welcome. If you wish to find out more contact the Chair Andy Eaves - **07368 970112** 



#### **Scottish Country Dancing**

Wednesdays 7.30 - 8.30Glazebrook Methodist Church

£5 per person Raising money for Rixton-with-Glazebrook Pre-School

All welcome!
For more information call Colette on 07870 966217



# Making a difference.....



Friends of Glazebrook Station (FROGS) is a new volunteer group whose aim is to tidy the environs of the station to give a better look and feel to the station, and to improve access. Formed in August 2022, the group have held two action days over weekends (right). They aim to hold quarterly action days, the next one is planned for February 2023 look out for Facebook posts and posters around the Parish. To find out more, or if you are interested in giving a helping hand, call Chair Tony Prescott on **07778 166577**.

Contributions to the community, whether in time, via donations or attending events is valuable in keeping our Parish thriving.

Thank you to all those who kindly give, in whatever way they can.



#### **2023 ACTION DAYS**

VOLUNTEERS MOST WELCOME
All equipment provided

#### Saturdays between 10am - 1pm

February 25

March 25

April 29

May 27

June 24

July 29

July 29

August 26

September 30

October 28 November 25

December 16

(Dec date a pre Christmas sweep up only 10am -12 noon)

#### YOUR HELP IS MUCH APPRECIATED

For more information contact:
Mandy Eccles (Chair) 07767 075211
Pete Higson (Sec) 07806 994718







Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Hall
Warm Hub

#### Every Monday 10am - 5pm



Community Hall Manchester Rd Hollins Green, WA3 6JZ

- Come along and keep warm and cosy at our Community Coffee
- · Meet people and have a chat
- · Relax with refreshments, books, jigsaws and WIFI

**Everyone Welcome!** 





Community event organised by the Community Hall Committee and sponsored by Rixton-with-Glazebrook Parish Council

Are you looking to try something different?

Then why not give this a go...

Indoor Short Mat Bowling Clu

The Club at Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Hall are looking for new bowlers to join them for a sociable afternoon of fun on Mondays 20m - 4.30 pm (includes ea / coffee break)

First session FREE - then £2.50 per session Equipment available to try and help is on hand if needed Simply turn up in indoor shoes, trainers or slippers Join others for some

# **Date for your Diary**

Parish Carnival 2023 Saturday 24th June

For more information or to offer your help contact Neil on **0161 777 6957**.



#### **Churches**

As well as weekly services (check out church notice boards for times) St. Helens C of E Church, Rixton Methodist, and Glazebrook Methodist all host weddings, christenings, funerals, coffee mornings



and community interest events and activities. See Contacts page for who to call for more details on individual activities.

Rixton Methodist is home to Tots on Thursdays 9.30 - 11.30am, term-time only - cost £2 for parent/carer and child with £1 for any further children. 'Time to Talk ' for parents/carers is also offered at the same time - £1.50 (includes a brew and toast). Chapel Crafts is held on the second Tuesday (7.30pm) and the last afternoon (1.30pm) each month. A Coffee Morning is held on the third Saturday of each month 10am - 11.30am. All welcome.

Glazebrook Methodist holds the following: a Coffee morning on the 1st Saturday of each month 10am-12noon; Dance Rhythm's dance and exercise classes weekly on Tuesday evenings for youngsters and adults. Scottish Country Dancing every Wednesday evening.

**St. Helen's** are now home to the Village Green Barbers, as well as the Post Office service - see other pages in this booklet for details. More information about the church activities can be found in the church's own monthly news bulletin - see Village Shop dispensers.

#### **Friends of Hollinfare Cemetery**

An average of 18 Friends volunteers tend the cemetery each monthly Action Day. As well as general tidying, mowing and shrub pruning, the



volunteers have also been doing additional border planting to add even more colour to welcome visitors. Thanks to Friend's fundraising efforts and the committee's successful grant application to the Parish Council and WBC Bereavement Services the Friends have recently completed another phase of works to improve fallen memorials. Volunteers are always most welcome, simply pop along to an action day - see dates, times and contacts on centre pages.

#### Rixton-with-Glazebrook Pre-School

Operating from Glazebrook Methodist Church Hall, WA3 5AY, Pre-school offers places for 2, 3 and 4yr olds during term-time, with highly qualified childcare staff providing quality care and education. To enquire about a place for your child contact the team on **07815 561372** or email **r-w-gpreschool@outlook.com**. To find out more about the provision visit: **rixtonwithglazebrook.net** or check out their FB page **https://www.facebook.com/RWGpreschool/** 

On Sunday 27th November Pre-School celebrated its 50th birthday - what an amazing achievement for a small village Pre-School! To honour the occasion a celebration was



held at the Community Hall with staff, pupils, committee members and parents from the last 50 years coming together to reminisce about their time at Pre-School. A piece of history was made as Bill, from The Local Mag, took a photo with a representative from each of the last 50 years - something to be cherished forever!



## St. Helen's CE Primary School

Birch Road, Hollins Green, Warrington WA3 6JS (see website for details)

WASPS Breakfast Club & After School Club operate at school during term time - call direct for details - see Contacts page.

#### **Scout Centre**

Home to Scouts and Cubs the Scout Centre sits on the Village Green, Hollins Green. Sadly there is no Beavers section at the moment as



they do not have any leaders to run it. For information about the youth groups, or if interested in running Beavers, please call the Scout leader James Taylor - see Contacts page.

The Scout Centre can be hired for other activities or small events. A Zumba style exercise class takes place every Monday 7-7.45pm.

## Message from Rixton-with-Glazebrook Parish Council Chair - Dave McLachlan

"Since my last message in June the Parish Council (PC) has been busy 'housekeeping', dealing with various local issues such as planning applications, reporting potholes, gully cleaning and grid reports. These have been forwarded to Warrington Borough Council (WBC) for action. We continue to look after Glamis wood and bought another 1000 English Bluebells which were kindly planted by the Community Plan Group. Our new PC website has taken a little longer to be established, however it should be fully up and running this December.

Unfortunately one of our PC & WBC Councillors, Joshua Dixon, has resigned from both Council bodies as he is working in America for the foreseeable future. I wish him the best of luck in his new venture and thank him for his dedication to our Parish. As a result of his resignation there will be an opportunity in the new year for a Parish Councillor to be co-opted onto the Council. A reminder that there will be Councillor surgeries every two months - dates are on notice boards outside St. Helen's Church and on Glazebrook Green."

Your Parish Council for the next 12 months is:

Dave McLachlan - Chair : Maureen Banner - Vice Chair : Liz Clarke : Phil Eastty : Julie Eastty : Julie Givvons

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month except August and December, starting at 7pm. Meetings for 2023 are as follows: 18th January: 15th February: 15th March: 19th April: 17th May: 21st June: 19th July: 20th Sept: 18th Oct: 15th Nov

Meeting details and agenda are posted a week beforehand on the PC notice boards, located behind St Helen's Church House, Hollins Green, and on the corner of Glazebrook Village Green. Details are also on our website **rixtonwithglzebrookparishcouncil.org.uk**The meetings are public, and anyone can attend and observe, but not speak. If you have anything you want discussed at a meeting, please contact our clerk Nick McCarthy by email in plenty of time on **rixtonwithglazebrookpc@gmail.com** 

#### Warrington Borough Council (WBC)

WBC Cllr Phil Eastty - cllrphil.eastty@warrington.gov.uk
WBC website - www.warrington.gov.uk

Issues, such as potholes and streetlights can be reported by visiting:

https://www.warrington.gov.uk/report-and-apply

Fly tipping can be reported via their customer contact centre on **environmentalcrime@warrington.gov.uk** or call **01925 443322**.

#### **Police**

Our local PCSO, Bethan Roberts, continues to patrol our Parish.

- Non urgent incident reporting **101** (ask for Cheshire Police)
- Emergency incident reporting 999

#### **Post Office Services**

Full Post Office services and banking services available for most High Street Banks every Friday 10am - 2pm in



St. Helen's Church House, Hollins Green. Foreign currency available to order Friday for collection following Friday.

Post box locations around the Parish include: Manchester Rd, Chapel Lane, Moss Side Lane, School Lane, Station Rd Glazebrook and Glazebrook Village Green.

#### **Pubs**

The Red Lion and Black Swan in Hollins Green both offer food and drink, with dining spaces indoors and out. Contact them direct for their opening times and latest offers. Both pubs have green spaces outside





where children can let off some steam!

The Black Swan also has a beautiful Village Pond on their doorstep for all visitors to enjoy, as well as 14 rooms for those looking for a place for family or friends to stay over - visit **theblackswan.co.uk** 

## **COMMUNITY CONTACTS**

All contacts were correct at the time of going to print

All Creatures Veterinary Centre	Reception	0161 777 8484
Chapel Crafts	Margery Green	0161 775 4372
Community Plan Group	Andy Eaves	07368 970112
Community Shop - Hollins Green	Julie Atkinson	0161 775 7022
Dance Rhythm and Adult Tap Class	Liz Rainford	07723 093920
Fitness Class for over 50s	Susan Chin	07702 810248
Friends of Glazebrook Station (FROGS)	Tony Prescott	07778 166577
Friends of Hollinfare Cemetery	Pete Higson	07806 994718
Friends of St. Helen's C.E. Church	Alan Domville	0161 775 9360
Friends of St. Helen's C.E. School	Reception	0161 775 2935
Glazebrook Methodist Church	Mylvia Hunt	0161 775 2263
Glazebrook Women's Institute	Doreen Thomason	0161 775 7349
Hollins Green Art Class	Rachelle	07724 052628
Hollins Green Beavers (not currently operating)	James Taylor	07793 002025
Hollins Green Indoor Bowling	Neil Trownson	01925 266538
Hollins Green Cubs & Scout Leader	James Taylor	07793 002025
Hollins Green Scouts	James Taylor	07793 002025
Messy Church	Linda Ogden	0161 775 2340
Moat Cafe	Linda Shuker	07584 296783
Parish Carnival Committee	Neil Fairfax	0161 777 6957
Parish Council	Dave McLachlan	07859 950966

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Pilates - Stretch & Release	Julie Nickisson	07736 165737		
Rixton Claypits	The Ranger	0161 777 9726		
Rixton Dog School	Debra Adderley	07815 855016		
Rixton Methodist Religious Worship	Linda Ogden	0161 775 2340		
Rixton Runners	Jill Eaves	07979 994681		
Rixton Tennis Club	Margaret	07815 484863		
Rixton Tots	Linda Ogden	0161 775 2340		
Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Hall	Bookings	07709 840200		
Rixton-with-Glazebrook Pre-school	Elizabeth Patten	07815 561372		
Scottish Country Dancing	Colette Fairfax	07870 966217		
St. Helen's C.E. Aided Primary School	School Office	0161 775 2935		
St. Helen's Church and Sunday School	Alan Domville	0161 775 9360		
The Black Swan	Reception	0161 222 4444		
The Greenery - Coffee & Flowers	Anne & Mark	0161 775 7095		
The Rotary Club of Irlam	Gill McLaughlin	07906 839227		
Village Green Barbers	Jayne Norris	07967 232803		
Wasps Out of School Club	Karen Ward	07582 719725		
Warrington Borough Council	Cllr. Phil Eastty	07890 046038		
Ye Olde Red Lion	Reception	0161 775 1314		
Yoga	Denise Fraser Julie Nickisson	07952 680598 07736 165737		
ZStyle - dance style Exercise Class	Michele	07525 456291		

# VILLAGE SHOP Serving the Community



# **Opening Hours**

Monday - Saturday 8am - 6pm Sunday 8am - 1pm

533 Manchester Rd, Hollins Green WA3 6JU

#### FREE HOME DELIVERY SERVICE

Available to all Rixton-with-Glazebrook residents subject to volunteer and produce availability

#### **TO PLACE AN ORDER**

Phone the Village Shop on <u>0161 775 7022</u> between 1pm - 4pm only

Deliveries will be made next day from Monday – Saturday / No deliveries on Sunday

#### **NO CASH HANDLING**

Payment will be taken over the phone once your order is ready for dispatch

For more information about your local shop visit their website www.hollinsgreenshop.com